

possession of by the Government from the lessees and handed over to the Public Works Department;

(2) if the answer to the above question is in the negative, the reasons for the delay and the officer or officers responsible for same?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) No.

(2) The delay is due to the lessees' refusal to surrender the sites voluntarily. Vigorous action, however, is being taken to evict the parties under the provisions of the Land Conservancy Regulation.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—The last part of my question is not answered. May I get an answer to that question?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The delay is due to the fact that the eviction has not been completed.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know when the Government began to take steps in the matter?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It will take some time.

Service books—Anchal Department.

134. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether all departments observe the rule that Service Books of incumbents in officiating or temporary posts should be maintained;

(2) whether the Anchal Department has begun to maintain such Service Books;

(3) if so, from when; if not, why not?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Yes.

(2) Yes.

(3) On receipt of the orders of the Government on the subject.

Vellarapilli Irrigation.

135. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the cost incurred hitherto by the Government under this head;

(b) how many acres of land are being irrigated by the above work;

(c) what is the arrangement under which water is being given if it is working;

(d) whether there is any special staff appointed for this purpose;

(e) the number and the names with the pay of the staff;

- (f) the date on which they were entertained ;
 (g) the date on which water began to be supplied to the cultivators?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Rs. 12,586—8—11.

(b) The canal work was completed and check-measured only after this year's Mundakan season was over. Work will be started regularly from the next Mundakan season.

(c) Vide above.

(d) Yes. To look after the engine and pump already installed there.

(e) One driver, C. Gomez at Rs. 30 a month and one watchman K. Krishnan Nayar at Rs. 12 a month.

(f) Driver from Thulam 1106 and watchman from Vrischigam 24, 1105.

(g) No answer is necessary in view of answer to sub-division (b).

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—(b) May I know the date on which it was checkmeasured?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I do not know the date. It was done this year.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Which month?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Makaram or Kumbham.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—(d) When were these engine and pump installed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—In 1106 Thulam.

Selection to Medical College.

136. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) how many applicants were there this year for selection to the Medical College, Madras ;

(2) of these, who were selected ;

(3) who were the persons selected last year ?

Mr. K. Narasimha Pai.—(1) 17.

(2) Mrs. Kanalam Mukunda Menon and Elias Samuel Koder.

(3) K. P. Joseph and C. J. David

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—May I know on which date were selections actually made in this matter?

Mr. K. Narasimha Pai.—I cannot say the exact date, but it was towards the end of June, just before the names had to be sent to the Medical College.